Anabolic setriod Drugs

761. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 812 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 28th February, 1989 and state:

(a) the number of anabolic steroid drugs used in the Family Planning Programme;

(b) whether it is a fact that his Ministry treats these drugs to be non-essential;

(c) if so, the names of such anabolic steroids;

(d) whether any of anabolic steroids are being imported in the country;

(e) if so, the names of such drugs, quantity imported of each during last two years, yearwise; and

(f) what were the name of the companies, quantity imported by each, CIF Price of each and source of import?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Anabolic steroids are not used in Family Planning Programme.

(b) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has not labled any drug as non essential.

(c) The population anabolic steroids are Nethandiones, Stanazole and Testosterone.

(d) Anabolic steroids are imported.

(e) and (f) The information available with this Ministry for the year 1986-87 and 1987-88 is given in the statement.

Statement

	1986-87		1987-88	
	Quantity in Kgs.	C.I.F. value in Rs.	Quantity in Kgs.	C.I.F value in Rs.
Methandionone	368	32,67,441	358	31,79,267
Stannzole (Powder)	13·1	7,18,550	22	11,41,242
Testosterone	171·2	19,59,242	15	1,34,432

Marketing of Pyrozolone group of drugs

762. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pyrozolones group of drugs are being marketed in the country;

(b) if so, the names of such drugs;

(c) whether it is a fact that the use of these drugs aggravate the tendency to Haemorrhage and causes agronulocytosis;

(d) if so, the reasons for allowing such drugs to be continued for marketing;

(e) whether it is a fact that his ministry has referred to the committee for immediate recommendations; and

(f) if so, when this was referred and what are their recommendations and by when action would be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) (a) Yes, Sir.